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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAPE TOWN 952

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, SHUM, WA
SUBJ: NAMIBIA: MORE SECURITY DETENTIONS

1. THE ADMINISTRATOR GENERAL'S OFFICE HAS CONFIRMED TO THE
EMBASSY THAT THREE MORE NAMIBIANS, INCLUDING A SWAPO
MEMBER AND TWO MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL UNITY DEMOCRATIC
ORGANIZATION (NUDO) WERE DETAINED ON MAY 10 UNDER
PROCLAMATION A.G.26. THE SWAPO MEMBER IS HENDRIK
WITBOOI, SWAPO SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND CULTURE
AND A MEMBER OF THE SWAPO DELEGATION TO THE PROXIMITY
TALKS. AT THE TIME OF HIS DETENTION, WITBOOI WAS ON BAIL
AWAITING A JUNE TRIAL ON CHARGES UNDER THE RIOTOUS ASSEMBLIES
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2. THIS IS THE FIRST INSTANCE IN WHICH NUDO MEMBERS,
OR INDEED ANYONE BUT SWAPO SUPPORTERS, HAVE BEEN
DETAINED UNDER THE NEW SECURITY PROCLAMATION. PIK
BOTHA'S AIDE NEIL VAN HEERDEN, INTIMATED TO US
RECENTLY THAT HE EXPECTED THE AG WOULD SOON DETAIN MEMBERS
OF OTHER GROUPS INCLUDING HEREROS THOUGHT TO BE INVOLVED

IN ATTACKS ON OVAMBOS. VAN HEERDEN BELIEVED THIS WOULD
HELP TO UNDERSCORE THE AG'S IMPARTIALITY.

3. NUDO MEMBERS HAVE BEEN ACCUSED OF INTIMIDATION OF
BOTH SWAPO AND NNF SUPPORTERS SINCE BEFORE KAPUUO'S
ASSASSINATION THE TWO NUDO MEMBERS DETAINED ARE
JOSEPHAT TJAVEONDJA AND MATHEUS MAHUA. ACCORDING TO
A TOP LEVEL NUDT OFFICIAL, JOHANNES KARUAIHE, BOTH
A ARE ELDERLY NUDO SUPPORTERS RESIDENT IN THE HERERO
HOMELANDS; KARUAIHE BELIEVES THEY HAVE BEEN FALSELY
ACCUSED, AND PLANS TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE AG
TO SEEK THEIR RELEASE.
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